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In the Application of:

Girard et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 17, 2009

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

This paper is filed in response to a non-final office action dated December 17, 2009, that issued in the above-referenced application. A response is due April 19, 2010, by virtue of the attached petition and fee for a one-month extension of time to respond and the fact that April 17, 2010, was a Saturday.

Amendments to the Specification there are no amendments to the specification.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.